

BOARD OF MADISON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
August 5, 2008 MINUTES

On Tuesday, August 5, 2008, a meeting of the Board of Madison County Commissioners came to order at 9:45 a.m. in the Commissioners' Conference Room of the Madison County Courthouse in Virginia City, Montana, with Commissioners David Schulz, Jim Hart, and Marilyn Ross present.

Cathy Gustin, fill-in administrative support, read minutes from the July 29, 2008, meeting. Marilyn Ross moved to approve the July 29, 2008, minutes with corrections. Jim Hart seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Those people in attendance at the meeting were Charity Fechter, Troy White, Rocky Hermanson, Jessi Fanelli, Kevin Germain, Chris Mumme, Vicki Tilstra, Linda Robertson, Shelly Burke, Chris Christensen and Steve Wood.

Letter of Resignation – Finance Office Clerk: A letter of resignation from Linda Robertson, Finance Officer Clerk, was read. Marilyn Ross moved to accept the resignation with sincere regret. The commissioners thanked Linda for her work with Madison County and wished her and her family all the best. Jim Hart seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Job Notice for the Finance Department Clerk Position: Vicki Tilstra, Finance Officer, would like a little time to evaluate the finance program. The starting date for a new employee will be at Vicki's discretion. A job notice will be posted and advertised. Jim Hart motioned to approve this decision and Marilyn Ross seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Bear Creek Estates Subdivision Discussion: Charity Fechter, Planning Director, Troy White and Rocky Hermanson, Subdividers, met with the Board to discuss the changes to the original preliminary plat of Bear Creek Estates Subdivision. Charity reviewed the proposal that was brought to the table last week and it is her recommendation that the proposal goes back before the Planning Board for review, and then to the Commissioners for approval at the August 26, 2008 meeting. Jim Hart and Chris Mumme will visit the Bear Creek Subdivision on Friday, August 15, 2008, to get a good visual of the property, roads and water supply. Jim Hart motioned to approve Charity's recommendation. Marilyn Ross seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Moonlight Basin Ranch – The Village Tracts Planned Unit Development Preliminary Plat: Charity Fechter, Planning Director, and Kevin Germain and Jessi Fanelli, Moonlight Basin Ranch, presented the Board with the preliminary plat of The Village Tracts PUD. Kevin Germain gave an explanation of what Moonlight would like to do with this development. The Planning Board voted unanimously to recommend approval with conditions as read by Charity. Charity and the Commissioners thanked Jessi for the great job she did organizing the subdivision packet and suggested everyone use this as an example for future subdividers. Jim Hart moved to approve the preliminary plat of The Village Tracts Planned Unit Development in the Southeast Quarter of Section 13 and a portion of the East half of Section 24, Township 6 South, Range 2 East, with the conditions set forth by the Planning Board, except that Overall Development Plan specific Condition #3 is to be modified to allow the 25 employee housing units in the East Entry Village to be reallocated to other areas upon Planning Board Approval. Marilyn Ross seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried.

Planning Clerk Position: There are 10 applicants applying for this position. Charity selected 7 applicants that she would like to interview. Interview dates discussed are Wednesday, August 13th, Friday, August 15th and Monday, August 18th. Charity will send a letter to each applicant as to whether or not they are being interviewed and if so, set up interviews.

Airports – Ennis AIP: Commissioners had a phone conference with Rick Donaldson, discussing whether to accept a loan from the Montana Aeronautics Board. The Commissioners will look into this further before making any decisions.

Part-time Fill-in Position: There are 8 applicants for this job. Commissioner will put together a group of people from various offices to do interviews. Interviews will be set up for August 21, 2008.

Journal Vouchers; None to discuss this week.

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MACo Voting Member: Commissioner Jim Hart motioned to appoint David Schulz to be the voting member for MACo. Marilyn Ross seconded the motion. David Schulz abstained from voting. Jim Hart and Marilyn Ross voted aye. The motion carried on a majority vote.

Ennis Road Crew Position: There are 3 applicants for this position at this time. A job notice will be advertised this week in The Madisonian. Applications will be accepted until August 18, 2008 until 5:00 p.m.

Reward for Finials: Jim Hart made a motion to offer a \$500 reward for the return of the Courthouse fence finials. Marilyn Ross seconded the motion and the topic was opened for discussion. Marilyn Ross amended the motion to offer a smaller reward of \$200, as the reward notice stipulated "For the arrest or conviction" and no arrest was made. Marilyn Ross and Jim Hart voted aye. David Schulz voted nay. The reward will be sent with a thank-you note for returning the valuable antiques.

Claims: The Board approved claims.

Grants: None to discuss.

RID Assessment Placement: The Board will discuss the RID Assessment at the Commissioner meeting on Tuesday, August 12, 2008.

Skyline Bus Budget Request: The Board will discuss the Skyline Bus Budget at the Commissioners meeting to be held at Huntley Lodge in Big Sky on August 19, 2008.

Appointment of Virginia City Rural Fire District Board Members: Chris Mumme reported that he does not have 5 applications at this time; however, he does have 5 interested parties and is still waiting on two applications. The Board will discuss appointments at the Commissioners Meeting on August 12, 2008.

Airports – Manager Positions: The Board will discuss the manager position at the Commissioners meeting on Tuesday, August 12, 2008.

TSEP Bridge Bid Determination: The Board reviewed available TSEP budget dollars in the 2008-2009 bridge budget and evaluated the low bidder for the proposed bridge project. Marilyn Ross moved to award the TSEP Bridge Project, Contract Number MT-TSEP-CG-08-393, to Mark Buck Construction Inc. of Missoula, Montana, for replacement of the Coy Brown, South Boulder, and Cherry Creek Bridges, for the amount of \$625,712. Jim Hart seconded the motion. All voted aye and the motion carried. The Board also discussed availability of TSEP funds for the Bear Creek Bridge replacement.

Investment Committee: The Board reviewed the Madison County Treasurer's Summary of Daily Business and Cash Reconciliation for the Close of Business Day: July 31, 2008

Public Discussion: Steve Wood was interested in Ag Crop Disaster Declaration related to the wind and hail storm on July 22, 2008.

Meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

David Schulz, Chairman
Board of Madison County Commissioners

Date Approved: August 12, 2008

Minutes prepared by:

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